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Westly Pays Schools \$281 Million In Lottery Cash

Sacramento, CA – State Controller Steve Westly today issued quarterly payments totaling \$281.4 million to school districts, educational institutions and State agencies from the Lottery Education Fund.

“The Lottery provides a small but important piece of the school-funding puzzle,” Westly said. “These dollars will help make sure our teachers and students have what they need to succeed.”

Payments to K-12 schools and community colleges are made to county treasurers, who distribute money to school districts. Funds for the University of California and Hastings College of Law are sent directly to those institutions. The funds for the State departments are deposited directly in their accounts.

The Controller’s Office makes quarterly payments based on Lottery income and unclaimed on-line prizes. Proposition 20, which voters passed in March 2000, requires that a certain percentage of these funds must be used to purchase instructional materials.

The money for the quarter ending March 31, 2004, will be distributed as follows:

	<i>Non-Prop. 20</i>	<i>Prop. 20</i>
K-12	\$209,659,622	\$14,183,118
Community Colleges	37,257,173	2,404,248
California State University	10,542,814	
University of California	6,242,205	
Hastings College of the Law	40,154	
Dept. of Youth Authority	105,284	
Dept. of Education – State Special Schools	33,058	
Dept. of Developmental Services	587,287	
Dept. of Mental Health	369,464	
Total	<u>\$264,837,061</u>	<u>\$16,587,366</u>

Detailed quarterly payment data for fiscal year 2003-04 and annual summary data since fiscal year 1985-86 are available on the State Controller’s web site at www.sco.ca.gov/ard/payments/lottery/index.shtml

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